



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Public Notice

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The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received an application for renewal with modification of water pollution control discharge permit # NEV92012 from the following applicant:

University of Nevada, Reno
Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station (NAES)
Director's Office/ ms/221
Reno, Nevada 89557-0107

The applicant operates an agricultural experiment station located at the intersection of Clean Water Way and McCarran Blvd. in Reno, Washoe County, Nevada. The applicant is presently permitted to apply tertiary-treated (denitrified & disinfected) effluent received from the Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility (TMWRF, Permit #NV0020150) to irrigate pasture and forage crops. The Permittee has requested an increase in effluent flow from 5.6 to 10.0 million gallons per day on a 30-day average basis. This increase would permit the facility to meet all of its irrigation needs with TMWRF effluent. TMWRF effluent used for irrigation at NAES is to meet Category "B" effluent standards, which is treated effluent suitable for use on golf courses, playgrounds, and greenbelts. The Division has made the tentative determination to issue (renew) permit for a period of five (5) years.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on August 28, 2006, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. August 28, 2006 will also be accepted. All requests must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public

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hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time. The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling James T. Hogan, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at 775.687.9434 (e-mail: jhogan@ndep.nv.gov). The office fax number is (775) 687-4684.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.